



Baldwin Park Operable Unit

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Mr. Wayne Praskins
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
75 Hawthorne Street
San Francisco, CA 94105

Schedule for Revised Phase 1 Perchlorate Treatability Study Report and Phase 2 Perchlorate Treatability Work Plan

Dear Mr. Praskins:

Your letter of 17 July 1998 extended the deadline for submittal of a Good Faith Offer on the Baldwin Park Operable Unit (BPOU) Consensus Project and identified numerous actions which are to be undertaken by the BPOU Steering Committee. These actions include submittal of a revised Phase 1 Perchlorate Treatability Study Report and revised Phase 2 Perchlorate Treatability Study Work Plan within 21 calendar days following receipt of EPA comments, which at the time of your letter were not yet available. These comments were transmitted to the BPOU Steering Committee on 29 July 1998 and are dated 28 July 1998.

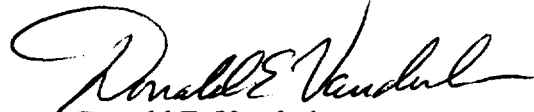
Although revision of the Phase 1 Treatability study Report will entail assembly and interpretation of an additional two months of operational data, and the need to address comments from four separate agencies, we anticipate that a revised Phase 1 report can be delivered within your requested timeframe.

Revision of the Phase 2 Treatability Study Work Plan presents a far more difficult and complex task. As you know the site selected for the Phase 2 Treatability Study is that of the La Puente Valley County Water District (LPVCWD). In June 1998 concentrations of NDMA were detected in the LPVCWD wells. Additionally, very low levels of 1,4 dioxane have also been detected. As a result the BPOU Steering Committee has decided that it must revise its conceptual design for this treatment system to address treatment for these other chemicals of concern. This will involve a substantial change from the conceptual design presented in the draft

Phase 2 Treatability Study Work Plan which was developed to remove only concentrations of perchlorate, nitrate, and volatile organic compounds.

Analysis of the treatment for the other chemicals of concern will taken additional time and must be completed before we can begin the process of revising the Phase 2 Work Plan. We therefore request an additional 21 days beyond the original 21 days cited by EPA. We will proceed with this schedule unless you contact us to the contrary.

Yours very truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Donald E. Vanderkar". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and "V".

Donald E. Vanderkar
Co-Chairman
Baldwin Park Operable Unit
Steering Committee

cc: BPOU Steering Committee